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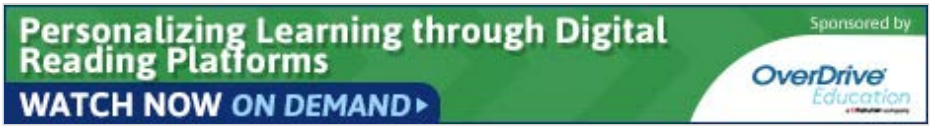

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Top News

Arizona Senate panel OKs new school voucher bill

Capitol Media Services via Arizona Daily Star

Rejecting claims it was ignoring the will of voters, a Senate panel voted to alter the rules governing the use of vouchers of state dollars by parents to send their children to private and parochial schools. One senator, however, insisted the

legislation does not expand who is eligible for a voucher but simply clarifies who can and cannot get one. Read more>>

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Comprehensive sexual health courses could become school standard

The Spokesman-Review

Washington public schools would be required to teach comprehensive sexual health education courses that emphasize relations free from violence and coercion as well as the importance of consent, under a proposal being considered by a Senate committee. Read more>>

Senate committee kills bill to make Election Day a school holiday in Virginia

Richmond Times-Dispatch

Schools will continue to operate in Virginia on Election Day. The Senate Education and Health Committee killed a bill that would have required all public schools in the state to treat Election Day in November as a school holiday. Read more>>

Denver Public Schools, union reach tentative agreement

The Denver Post

Denver's first teachers strike in 25 years is coming to an end. The new deal sees

Denver Public Schools putting forward an additional $23.1 million toward teacher compensation, giving average raises of 11.7 percent next year, and establishing a new salary schedule that starts at $45,800 a year and tops out at $100,000 annually. Read more>>

Tenn. bill would allow schools to add bus cameras

WTVF

A new bill would allow Tennessee schools to add cameras to the outside of school buses in an effort to catch drivers who speed through stop signs. School buses have a retractable arm with a stop sign on it, but drivers say not everybody heeds the stop sign. Read more>>

New Jersey to dramatically limit contact in high school football practices

Press of Atlantic City

New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association's executive committee approved on first reading drastic changes to the rules governing full contact during the preseason and regular season. The new rules include limiting teams to 15 minutes of full contact per week during the regular season rather than the current 90-minute allowance. Read more>>

Opinion & Analysis

Behind the teachers strikes

The Wall Street Journal

Protest signs hoisted by more than 2,600 Denver teachers would have you think this week's school strike was "for the kids" or simply about higher wages. But the standoffs in Denver and elsewhere in recent months are also about something else: unions rejecting accountability for student performance. Read more>>

Extra arts education boosts students' writing scores—and their compassion, study finds

Chalkbeat

A puppeteer's show was part of an effort to expand arts education in Houston elementary and middle schools. Now, a new study shows that the initiative helped students in a few ways: boosting students' compassion for their classmates, lowering discipline rates and improving students' scores on writing tests. Read more>>

A year after Parkland, urgency for new gun restrictions declines, poll shows

NPR

One year after the school shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., the urgency for new gun restrictions has declined, but roughly half the country is concerned a mass shooting could happen at a school in their community, a new NPR/PBS NewsHour/Marist poll finds. Read more>>

Industry News

Partnering to deliver a holistic view of student learning

Edmentum/Reflection Sciences

Edmentum and Reflection Sciences, Inc. are partnering to deliver a full integration of Reflection Science's Minnesota Executive Function Scale assessment into Exact Path's individualized learning program. Read more>>

Kansas City Public Schools links schools and nonprofits

Social Solutions Global/Ballmer Group

Social Solutions Global, in partnership with Ballmer Group, announced that Kansas City Public Schools joined their national initiative to allow districts and local nonprofit organizations to share data for increased program integration, collaboration and support for students. Read more>>

Acquisition focuses on Apple edtech solution

Jamf

Jamf acquired ZuluDesk, a provider of Apple education technology solutions built for teachers and parents. As a result, Jamf now helps 14,000 schools worldwide manage over nine million Apple devices. Read more>>

People Watch

New leader chosen for Idaho school system

Idaho Ed News

The Bonneville School District has named its assistant superintendent, Scott Woolstenhulme, as the new superintendent. He will replace outgoing Superintendent Chuck Shackett. Woolstenhulme has been with Bonneville since 2011. Read more>>

Virginia district turns to Essex County for next superintendent

Richmond Times-Dispatch

The Amelia County School Board approved Lorena Harper as the school district's next superintendent. She is currently the assistant superintendent for instruction and federal programs in Essex County. Harper will take over for interim superintendent David Smith. Read more>>

Red Clay School District elects Dorrell Green

Delaware News Journal

Dorrell Green has been selected as the next superintendent for the Delaware school district. She is the former director of the Office of Innovation and Improvement for the Delaware Department of Education. Read more>>

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